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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

This paper, relating to the above application, includes the following sections:

Amendments to the Specification beginning on page 2.

Detailed Claim Listing beginning on page 3.

Remarks beginning on page 9.

In addition, as requested in the Pre-Interview Communication, a full copy of the Pays reference has been attached herewith.

No fee is believed to be necessary. Should any fee be required, the Commissioner is authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 06-0029 and is requested to notify us of the same.